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I wish to submit the following comments, regarding FDA proposals to eliminate labeling of irradiated foods:

I am utterly opposed to this proposal which patronizes and insults the public. The public has the right to know whether the food it purchases and eats has been irradiated, and to exercise its judgement accordingly.

I am heartily sick of the FDA pushing policies which deny power and choice to the public, and which seem designed only to benefit big business interests at the expense of the public. One would think from the FDA's actions on this and other issues that we are living in The former Soviet Union, rather than the open and democratic society we profess to be. The public needs more openness and information, not less!

Please withdraw this appaling proposal immediately.

And when will the FDA require labeling for all genetically manipulated foods?

Yours sincerley,

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